

**Eastern Midlands Conference**

Established 1980

Kevin Riley, Gretna, President 2006-2007

Tim McNamara, Platteview, Secretary-Treasurer

Blair Elkhorn Gretna Nebraska City Norris Platteview Plattsmouth Waverly  
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**MINUTES**

**Executive Council Meeting**

Wednesday, March 9, 2007

Country Inn and Suites

Lincoln, NE

8am

At 8am the March, Executive Council Meeting of the Eastern Midlands Conference was called to order by President Kevin Riley of Gretna. All eight member schools were present.

Additions to this agenda.

Steve Shanahan of Blair added Wellness Day Information.

Kevin Riley of Gretna added EMC Secretary/Treasurer pay discussion.

Roger Breed of Elkhorn added discussion on NSAA State Tournament schedule options.

Randy Bates of Norris added discussion on class B playoffs.

Motion by Breed of Elkhorn, seconded by Shanahan of Blair to approve the minutes of the August 30, 2006 meeting.

**Motion Passed 8-0**

Motion by Ernst of Waverly, seconded by Chevalier of Platteview to approve the March 9, 2007 Treasurer's Report.

**9/9/07 BALANCE OF \$19, 074.57 COMPARED TO 3/10/06 BALANCE OF \$19,400.36.**

**Motion Passed 8-0**

Discussion of the EMC Web page took place. The web page will be used as a storage area for all conference forms, agendas, and historical information. Contact McNamara of Platteview with suggestions and ideas for improvement and expansion.

**<http://www.easternmidlandsconference.org/>**

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Final reading of a EMC constitutional change, Article XVIII. Admission to conference varsity contests will increase from \$4 for adults and \$3 for students to **\$5 for adults and \$4 for students starting the fall of 2007**. Motion by Baker of Norris, seconded by Breed of Elkhorn to approve.

**Motion Passed 8-0**

Discussion of uniform admission prices for non varsity and junior high. Activities Directors will provide a formal written plan of admission prices for these levels at the May Executive Council Meeting. This information will be shared and used by member schools who charge admission for these events. It will not be a constitutional addition.

First discussion and reading of an EMC Constitutional change, Article I. Adding girls' tennis as an official conference activity. Six conference schools will offer girls tennis in the 07-08 school year. The conference recognizes any activity as a conference activity once 6 of the 8 conference schools offer the program. Motion by Rohwer of NE City, seconded by Breed of Elkhorn.

**Motion Passed 8-0**

Discussion of financial donation to the Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame took place. The Eastern Midlands Conference will donate from the conference treasury \$1,000 this year and \$500 for the next five school years for a total commitment of \$3,500. Motion by Ernst of Waverly, seconded by Breed of Elkhorn.

**Motion Passed 8-0**

Discussion of NCSA Executive Director. Phil Warrick of Waverly urged conference support of Mike Dulaney to replace the retiring Jerry Sellentin as Executive Director. Several conference administrators have already written letters of support on Mr. Dulaney's behalf.

Steve Shanahan of Blair distributed EMC Wellness Golf Tournament information. Each school's Principal is in charge of sending Mr. Shanahan, Blair High School, \$100 to help cover prizes and tournament expenses. Please post information for all K-12 staff.

Kevin Riley of Gretna proposed the financial stipend for the conference secretary-treasurer be increased \$400. Current compensation is \$2,000. Motion by Riley of Gretna, seconded by Breed of Elkhorn to increase the stipend to \$2,400 for the position of conference secretary-treasurer in 07-08.

**Motion Passed 8-0**

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Roger Breed of Elkhorn discussed weather related concerns with the State Basketball Tournament and NSAA options for rescheduling. The NSAA is currently soliciting ideas for alternative solutions for weather delays. A proposal to be submitted during the 07-08 NSAA legislative year will be forthcoming from the conference Activities Directors. Currently NSAA bylaws prohibit competition on Sundays. The proposal would allow the NSAA to host state level activities using Sunday as an option under extreme and unusual circumstances.

Randy Bates of Norris discussed information on the class B football playoffs. Some schools throughout the state in class B support changing the current playoff format to holding all playoff games on consecutive Fridays. This would extend the season by one week, causing all schools to start practicing earlier in the fall. Mr. Bates will moderate a meeting in April and welcomes input.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim J. McNamara  
Platteview High School  
EMC Secretary/ Treasurer